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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place.." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

# Jesus Came To Seek And To Save The Lost

## My Grace Is Sufficient For Thee

Paul said, "For when I am weak, then am I strong"

Maymie Patterson

And lest I should be exalted above measure through the apundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly there fore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in dis tresses, for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

These are the words of Paul, the to the Corinthian church, making known unto them wherein he glories. Though this was written to the church at Corinth it means just as much to God's people in this pres ent age. Paul was a man who much to glory in, his very name Saul, signifying "sought after." He was well versed in the law, being brought up at the feet of Gamaliel. Later he became one of the chief apostles, preaching the gospel of Christ with great effect; he was caught up to the third heaven, and by him many won derful things were done. Yet here we find him glorying in infirmities and distresses that the power of Christ might rest upon him.

Perilous times are indeed upon us Winds of doctrine are sweeping thru the land; seducers are arising, even from among us, teaching perverse doctrines; the love of many is waxing cold because iniquity abounds with such power, and times are waxing worse and worse, proving beyond a doubt we are living in the last days. But regardless of the test, the text says, "My grace is sufficient for thee. We must be able to say "not our will but thine be done," before God will manifest His power to destroy the works of the devil. The Lord's ways are always best and they alone satisfy. He will give us our way if we so much desire it, but when we have had it we usually with bitterest regret and remorse confess God's ways are

The devil has many pitfalls along the way and every one is very neatly and cleverly disguised. When hunter are searching for big game in the jungles they dig pits across trails, covering them over with leaves and brush until they cannot be discerned from the solid ground .-- When the prey steps upon this covering he falls into the trap and is easily taken captive. Satan works in this very way. He disguises himself as an an gel of light and covers his pitfalls until they can hardly be detected, then as we pass along, unless we are very anchored in Christ Jesus, ou Rock of ages, our refuge and strong tower, we will become Satan's prey.

Man is big game, God's greatest creation, because in man rests the immortal soul. Satan is staking heavily on him. He is raging to wreck dam nation on God's Masterpiece. In the world are many wonderful works of art, masterpieces of great and wise men, but it is not for these he is seek ing but for the handiwork of God that he might destroy it, thus thwarting the purpose the Creator had in view when He formed the world and all that is therein.

Satan is ever in enmity against Lucifer God because when he was son of the morning (Jas. 14:12), he sought to exalt himself above stars of God and was cast down from his glory. Today his kingdom is in the air, he being the prince of the powers of the air, and he himself is abroa in the land as a roaring lion, seeking to devour the work of God.

He is a perfect worker, his plans are well laid, he leaves nothing undone, but God who is in us is greater than he that is in the world. To us, lease Look On Page Three)

# COST

GLENMORRISON, W. Va.-I am still trying to wend my way heaven ward. Although the trials seem hard to bear, I am glad I counted the cost before I started this way. I thank the Lord for sending us Brother Alex Shaffer as our pastor this year. He is a real man of God and will not compromise on the Word of God. When Brother Shaffer came here our Sun day School attendance was from nine teen to twenty-five and by Christmas he, with the help of the teachers and officers, had the attendance up to sixty-three.

We had a nice program from the Sunday School Christmas Eve night. Everything went off nicely and seem ed to be enjoyed by all.

Dear saints of God, pray for us at Glenmorrison that God will give us a revival at this place.—Your sister

# **Old Time Revival**

SWAINSBORO, Ga.-We can report victory in our souls. We thank God for a full and free salvation. Oh, what praise Him for the Holy Ghost.

We have just closed a revival at Sand Hill. We were there two weeks. Five received the Holy Ghost, We had a wonderful old time pentecostal revival. The Lord was with us in the beginning and ending. We closed the re-vival on Christmas night. We had nunion service.

We are on our way to the state of California. We will work our way thru so we ask all who read this to pray for us as we journey thru the land singing as we go, pointing souls to Calvary. We are a band of three out to lift up Jesus to a lost world. -Your brothers and sister in Christ H. S .Scott, A. J. Green and Pear

# ENDURANCE TEST

J. R. Dodson

111 Harvest St., Salinas, Calif. The title of this theme sounds very familiar to every one who gives any thought to the events of the day, for there are many kinds of endurance tests in these last few years.

Notice the words of Jesus at Matt. 10:22, "And ye shall be hated of all

endureth to the end shall be saved."

These words came from the lips of our Lord on the occasion when He was giving instruction to those who were to be sent out to preach the Gospel, and later became the charter members of the Church of God. The word "endure" might not seem to be of great importance, but I am per suaded to think that it is, as those who receive the reward must "endure hardship, persecution, and the hatred of men in order to be rewarded.

Mr. Webster tells us that "endu

nce" means an act of enduring. We can see in the natural how many efforts have been put forth in "endur ance tests." People spend their time and money in order to win the reward that is offered. Lindbergh, in his ocean hop, caused a great exciter among a certain class of people; others have taken part in globe trotting, bar rel setting, and fishing tests, many more could be mentioned. Do these pay? I should say they do, in the natural. Those who "endure" to the end are rewarded, usually with money enough to make them comfortable for life, or fame which caus the world to admire them. This is the case in the natural. Shall we, as thos who have no continuing city but seek one to come, say with our Brother Paul, "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus?"

We all remember well when we vere burdened with sin, shame disgrace, and nothing ahead that was some one came along and told us that Jesus had said for us to find rest for our souls ("Take my yoke upon you (Please Leok On Page Two)

# I COUNTED THE | HE IS ABLE TO SAVE TO THE UTTERMOST ALL THOSE WHO COME UNTO HIM BY FAITH

them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them."-Heb.

I am writing on this subject because feel that the two classes of people vho are anxious to know more about God to fully obey Him, need to more thoroughly understand His plan. Those who have been misfortunate and are not able to read and study the Bible and history are liable to err thru misunderstanding. The class who are able to inform themselves, as a general rule, read the books whose authors are unholy, and thereby their minds are poisoned to the real truth.

These inquiries come from thou sands of burdened hearts all thru the Church: What degree of piety is need ed to assure acceptance with God? What is the believer's privilege under the reign of Christ? To what extens have we the promise of being saved in this life? For an answer to such inquiries we must consult the Holy Scriptures and human experiences. If we are not warranted by the Word of God to look for entire deliverance from sin in this life it would be ab surd for anyone to assume that he had experienced such a deliverance. And if no such deliverance has ever been experienced by believers, though earnestly sought, then of course we could not believe that such a thing was obtainable. But since thousands have been delivered and their lives have proven that they have been the recipients of this wonderful blessing, then we feel that we can rely on the Word of God.

We are taught in the New Testa ment that we may be saved completely. Heb. 7:25. This Scripture signifies to the fartherest extent, to the deepes degree, and the most distant point. It has been affirmed that the term "uttermost" has reference more to duration than to completeness and that this view is sustained by the marginal reading-"evermore," but the ablest expositors, as well as the new version, repudiate the marginal reading as misleading. Some of the best authorities assure us that the term "completely," that is "perfectly," brings out more fully the doctrine taught. Language insists that it means completely to the very consummation eis to penalties is erroneously referred to to them. The completely those that come unto Him. The perpetuity of His priesthood enables Him o carry through the salvation which He has commenced. He is able ever to save and He is able to save for ever, but this is not the meaning of the word. Blake has shown by very many instances that completeness is not duration in its idea as indeed its entomology would lead us to expect Perfectly complete to the very end but without necessity in reference to them Christ is able to save in every way, in all respects and to the utter ost so that every want and need in all its breadth and depth is utterly done away with. The new version ha expunged from the margin the word 'evermore" and substituted "com pletely" in its place which agrees with tors. In fact, there is no word which more fully expresses the fullness of salvation. The divine ability is priv ileged for a finished salvation, a con plete work. It would seem then that ample provision has been made for our complete salvation. The only thing needed to secure such a deliverance is to come to God by Christ. Before attempting to define the doctrine it may be well to guard the reade against several errors over which many lost souls have stumbled.

In considering this subject we are inclined to go to one of two extremes

"Wherefore he is able also to save | Either place the standard too high and by so doing turn hundreds of minds away from it as an impossibility, or place it too low and thus inspire ordinary believers no aspiration for its possession. If you would hit a mark you must know where it is. Some peo ple aim at Christian perfection mistake it for angelic perfection. They shoot above the mark and then peev ishly give up their hopes. Others place the mark as much too low. Hence it is that you hear them profess to have attained Christian perfection when they have not so much as attained the needed serenity and the candor of a good natured consciousness. We place the mark too high when we make it consist of perfect conduct. Infallibility is not a fruit of grace. God alone is infallible. While human ideas of per fection leave no margin for human mistakes and unadvoidable errors, divine ideals allow many to exist in con nection with perfect love. A perfectly faultless being according to human judgment was never found men. No person has yet lived of whom serious complaints were not made by someone. Not even the man Christ Jesus. In Him was no sin. "holy," "harmless," "undefiled," "sep-arated from sinners." "In Him was no guile." This is the divine estimation of the man but this is not the judgment formed and expressed with regard to the conduct by many among whom He lived, to whom He preached, and for whom He labored and died. They said, "He hath a devil," He casts out devils by the prince of devils," He was a "winebibber," "Sab-

bath breaker," "disloyal to the govern-

called the Master of the house Beelze

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"ought to die." Surely if they

Job is a case in point. God declared that Job was a perfect man and asked Satan if he had considered that fact Judging from the conduct of Satan it is fair to infer that he responded in the negative. He insisted that Job served God from selfish motives and if the things by which Job had been hedged about were moved he would cease to give evidence of the perfection which had been attributed to him. When houses, flocks, herds, ser vants, and children were all destroyed, Job, surveying the utter desolation, reference is not to saving always or exclaimed, "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away. Blessed be name of the Lord." Satan returned to the attack and insisted that though Job's earthly possessions his selfishness was manifested in his God touch his flesh he would curse Him to His face. Satan was allowed to do his worst without taking his life. Job's suffering was almost yond human conception and quite bevond human endurance. Sut midst of his deepest physical suffering and mental sorrow, without earth ly comfort or human sympathy, with the face of God and man seemingly against him he looked up confidently and exclaimed, "Though he slay me vet will I trust him." Finally Job's integrity is vindicated in the declaration—In all this Job sinned not nor charged God foolishly. But with all this history before us and God's declaration with regard to Job's charac ter, it will not be difficult to find any number of people who are ready to eclare that Job was not perfect. Our only answer is that Satan affirms the same thing and God who knows the heart denied it. Human estimation of perfection differs. It would seem from the divine man judges from the outward appearance, God judges by the heart. It is a matter of devout gratitude to our heavenly Father that (Please Look On Page Two)

#### \*\*XXXXXXXXXXXXXX SPECIAL NOTICE

All ministers and clerks of Alabama are requested to be present at Fratt City, Ala., Feb. 4-8, S. W. Latimer General Oversee will be present.—John C. Padgett, State Overseer of Alabama. 

# GIVING GOD THE Doctrine Vs Wind

READING, Pa.-We wish to give God the glory for ever establishing the Church of God in Reading. We appre ciate the service of Brother Shelton who has worked faithfully in Reading for a few years. We also appreciate our Overseer, Brother H. W. Poteat It has been over two years since our Overseer and Brother Shelton set the church in order. Later the Lord sent our precious Brother R. R. Seyda and family to pastor our church.

We have not forgotten our pastor who felt his call to go to North Dako ta, and left us. I trust that God will give him many souls for his hire. We want to express our thanks for God sending our dear Brother E. P. Kimball to Reading. We feel that God has sent him. We appreciate Brother Kimball and family. They are blessed people. Pray much for our church that God will give us a successful year of 1930.—H. Hanley.

### A Good Revival

Rome, Miss.-We thank the Lord or the colored work here. We praise Him for His great love and kindness and for the faithful few here. We are striving to press on in this good way We thank God for Elder E. Ford, overseer of colored work in Arkansas who came and held a few nights meet ing for us. He opened fire on the enemy on December 15 and brought forth good messages to the saints and visitors. It was a great revival which lasted one day and three nights. It had to close on account of the snow and severe cold. During this great meeting two were reclaimed and three saved. Five were added to the Church of God. The meeting closed leaving the saints with much joy and hoping that Elder Ford would come back to us again.—Alex Richard, pastor Leona Richard, clerk.

# **Contending For The** Faith of The Saints

Luther A. Richard

Jude in his general epistle, third verse, says: It was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should EARNESTLY CONTEND FOR THE FAITH WHICH WAS ONCE DELIVERED THE TO tory of the gospel dispensation, but from the first there have always been those who claimed to be the servants of God who have opposed the plain teaching of the Word of God.

Notice, Jude said to contend for this faith, which is to dispute, to debate, or plead, to endeavor to convince a person, and to defend that faith

One time I thought it would be rong to debate with a man on the Bible, but of late years I feel that every minister of the gospel who is standing for this faith, should have a backbone in him to let the world and the devil know that he is standing for the faith of the apostles, and ough to be so acquainted with this doctrine he would be glad to meet the giants of today who are opposing it and a the same time claim that they are th servants of God and believe His Word, when we who have really tast ed of the wonderful power of Holy Ghost, know full well that they do not believe the Word of God. They deny that Christ has power to sav from all sin and keep us free from it. Some who believe that much of the doctrine, will fight the Holy Ghos and His power, and at the sam time claim they have Him. Have you ever heard a prayer among the fessed Christians of today like this O GOD BLESS US AND SEND US A REAL PENTECOSTAL BLESSING OR PENTECOSTAL SHOWER. Yes no doubt you have heard such pray ing, then you go to the man prayed this, and say to him, Brother do you believe that we today can have the Holy Ghost as the people did at Pentecost with the speaking in tongues and the power as they had,

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# Of Doctrine

#### Many logical Winds are Blowing But We Can **Know The Truth**

J. P. Hughes

"If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine." John 7:17. "That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive." Eph. 4:14.

One of the outstanding aspects of the church today is the probability of its members being influenced by the many theories and hypothetical arguments of men who have the appearance of scriptural teaching but in reality is nothing more than the "wind of doctrine." Too many who profess to be teachers are guessing at what the Scripture teaches and presumptuously propagate their the ories as Bible doctrine.

The wind of doctrine is traveling at a great velocity in these last days, and there is danger of many precious souls being swept from their moorings. Erroneous teaching is flooding the country and infusing the minds of honest people to such an extent that many have become confused and disagreed on the simple truths of God's Word. The Bible is very simple in its teaching, but it has been mystified and misconstrued by erroneous teaching until many honest people are perplexed about "The Doctrine."

The most essential thing for every nonest man or woman to do at this critical period of time is that which guarantees spiritual understanding. "If any man will do his (God's) will, he shall know of the doctrine." The text is a simple statement from our Lord and shows that deep consecration and conformity to the will of God are safeguards against delusion and serve as an anchor when the stormy wind of doctrine is furious. Doing the will of God is the key to spiritual knowledge; therefore, everyone who desires to know the truth should be wholly resigned "good and perfect will." Doctrine vs wind of doctrine should be our motto in these times of peril when so many are being tossed to and fro by the howling winds of doctrine and dogmas of the present day.

There is much prop days concerning prophecy, especially that of the second coming of Jesus to set up His kingdom on the earth. This important doctrine has become a target at which many are shooting; but since they shoot so wild and miss the. mark so far, it is evident that somebody is guessing about the time of this glorious event. The Bible declares that "no prophecy of the Scripture is: of any private interpretation." Therefore, we do not have to guess about the second coming of Jesus nor look to any theory or hypothesis on the subject. Some have measured fixed dates, and even gone so far as to tell us that Jesus has already come. But such guessing doesn't effect those are doing the will of God for they 'shall know of the doctrine.'

The International Bible students claim that Jesus came in 1914 and that we are now in the Millennium. Some propagandist say He will come in 1932, some in 1934 and others that in 1936 is the time for that great event. The "Times of the Gentiles" it is claimed ended in 1914 or 1917 which would virtually mean that the Gentile age has closed and the kingdom or millennial age begun, as the close of one age marks the beginning of another. This claim is based on a measurement of time beginning with the captivity of Judah under Nebuchadnezzar and extending to A. D. 1914 or probably 1917. It is argued that this was the alloted time for Gentile supremacy and therefore the 'times of the Gentiles" have ended. All such claims are presumptuous, and when propagated is nothing more than a wind storm of human reason that should only be regarded as the wind of doctrine" coming from an (Please Look On Page Three)

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# EDITORIALS

In the last two issues of the Church of God Evangel two letters were broken off the plate which made the appearance a little odd. Some have made inquiry about it. We are very sorry this happened but did not know it until after the last issue was sent out.

--- 0 ---Don't forget to work hard for the Evangel from now till March which will be her birthday, only one dollar per year.

The young people of the Church of God are organizing in many places and the churches seem to be taking on new life. We are glad to note this and wish for them great success in their work for the Master.

The subscriptions for the Evangel are coming in nicely. I have just opened a letter from Brother Joel Stamper, S. Lebanon, Ohio, with eight subscriptions. There are many who are work ing faithfully for the paper.

#### ENDURANCE TEST

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and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls), that caused us to plan on an "endurance test," for which many have already received their reward; some enduring to the end and hearing the words well done; others failing along the way and hearing the words depart from me.

We can look at a beautiful picture of "endurance test" that was started by a one-eyed colored man of God by the name of Seymour, on Azusa Street in Los Angeles, Calif. (We had the privilege of visiting the old Azusa St mission). This "endurance test" was started by him seeing something ahead in the way of a spiritual blessing. The result was he tarried until the Holy Ghost fire came down and caught in his soul, and it did not stop with him but flamed up into something that could not be stopped by persecutions of men, and swept across the United States and to other countries, caught aflame in your heart and my heart Surely this "endurance test" has been a blessing to many souls, so shall we say with Paul, for I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor any other creature shall be able to separate us from the love of God.

And again we look at the "endurance test" that was started in 1886 when eight souls came together in an agreement to live up to certain things. They possibly had no thought as to what would be the result of the band "Christian Union," but we watch them as they go, gradually they Become more given up to God's Word, persecution arose, new light dawned, the name was changed to Holiness Church at Camp Creek. Later as sethrespersecution arose the saints drew hear their Father and, as the promise improblin return let in more of His resinits and light on the Word. The testiltradiothat they changed the name trethe daurch to the "Church of God," tingsdiminued to walk in the light THE it may ! IVou and I have many adwith tagis obserthese faithful ones who parisidethe bunybfor us.

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with scores of reformers.

Some one might suggest that there is no need of enduring for the cause of Christ today. But say, brother and sister on the field of labor, and Bible students at Cleveland, the "endurance test" we are in makes us willing to "endure" hardness as a good soldier of Christ, and have a vision of lost souls, and ourselves being examples of believers, clinging to the Bible as our doctrine. What is the result of "enduring" in this manner? Sinners re saved, backsliders reclaimed, be lievers sanctified, those sanctified are baptized with the Holy Ghost, and people established in Bible doctrine and government, not tossed about by every wind of doctrine, And when we shall have finished our "endurance test" e can say with Paul, "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

#### He Is Able To Save To The Uttermost

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hen He said to Abraham, "Walk bere me and be thou perfect," He did not say, "Walk before the world and be thou perfect." Abraham could be perfect after God's ideal but not after an's. We can be perfect before Him in love, but often the world criticizes our conduct. God judges the act by the motive but we are not able to see the notive, consequently our judgment of he character and acts become erroneous. We aren't speaking of sins such as violation or the moral laws, but of erors in conduct and mistakes in judgnent, etc. The human observances of hese errors and mistakes may seem ndicating a wrong state.

We hear so many people say we need ot look for perfection in this world and yet we admit perfection in the rdoms of nature and of art. How ve denounce it in the kingdom of race. We pronounce the flower perfect; we say, "That is a perfect blos-" We pronounce the beast perfect We look upon it while on exhibition and say, "That is a perfect animal." We say the musician is rendering perfect music. We pronounce the portrait which bears a strong resemblance to the original, a perfect likeness. Has God presented us perfect specimens of His workmanship every where in nature and utterly failed to do it in the realms of grace where is would be supposed that He would likely exhibit His greatest skill and power? It is true that man can do perfectly almost anything in the line of invention and mechanical skill. Then we deny that God can help man to perpectly love Him.

We pronounce objects perfect in the end for which they were designed. The inventor intends for his invention to perfectly accomplish the end for which it was intended. They are in that sense perfect if they do the work they were intended to do. In giving us the plan through which men can be perfected, God's aims and purpos can be carried out, and more fully than the machine and things that are nvented. Man was not made to be an angel in this world, nor a god in the next, but simply to love God with all of his heart. God made him for this purpose. He possesses the perfection of saints on earth which is "perfect love," or love made perfect. This is perfection in this life.

We place the mark too high when we insist that it places the possessor above the possibilities of being tempted and vet I am afraid some are trying to excuse themselves right here and allow the tempter to carry them too far. This is a very delicate question but is one that I want the reader to think over. Right recently I heard a statement that "I have only been tempted like the rest of you have. We all have temptations." Truly understanding the case as it was related to me by the transgressor, I am sure that men could not get that far without going beyond what God intended for men who are just tempted. That holy beings have been tempted the Bible clearly affirms. How it was done we must leave the readers to conjecture. Passing by the angels which kept not their first estate and our first parents who were created in the image of God which consisted in righteousness and true holiness, we come to our Lord Jesus Christ who was tempted in all points like as we. Heb. 4:15. He even suffered being tempted. Heb. 2:18. If Jesus who was pure and undefiled and separated from sinners, who knew not sin, in fact, who was without sin could be tempted in all points like as we are, if He could suffer being tempted, then there is no inconsistency in affirming that we may be holy yet be tempted. It is not necessary that we have sin in the heart in order to be tempted any more than that Jesus should have sin in His heart in order to be tempted. The world and Satan still remain to oppose though the old man, the carnal man, is destroyed. We place the mark too high when we insist that if attained its possessor can never fall. The question has often been asked, How can one fall in whom is no sin? We may not be able to an swer the question satisfactorily, nevertheless the stern fact meets us that such an event has transpired. Holy beings have sinned and fallen and what has happened may be again. Holy angels kept not their first estate but were cast down to hell, our first parents were holy and yet they sinned

NOTICES & SPECIALS

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To all who may be interested in writing me my address is Rt. 1, Covin. Ala. If you need me for a meeting

To my many friends: My address is Stroud, Okla. I am pastor of the church here. I am on the field for God. Pray for me that I may stay there till He calls me home.-Yours for lost ouls, J. H. Brooks.

let me hear from you.-L. J. Potts.

If there are any Church of God saints in Port Arthur, Texas, I would like to get acquainted with them .-- A sister in Christ, Mrs. C. L. Waldron, 645 Augusta Ave., Port Arthur, Tex.

The Church of God at Baldwin Park, Calif. would like to hear from the absent members and the following ones We have not been able to see or even hear from you:-Sister Ellen E. Brocker, Sister Francis Purdy, Sister Ella Ashley.

Let us know your spiritual condi-

Our present State Overseer is entirely dependent upon the support of the churches, He will need and appreciate the prayers and financial support of the entire church. Pay your tithes and offerings and prove your loyalty to the church.-E. L. Moore, pastor.

The church at Broxton, Ga. desires to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following members: C. F. Oniel and John B. Odom. -Lizzie Buchan, clerk, Rt. 1, Ambrose,

nacle in Ft. Myers, Fla. The Lord has Signed, E. C. Clark.

wonderfully blessed from the first ser vice. We don't know what has been done but a goodly number has been saved and sanctified and ten grownups have received the Holy Ghost. The end is not yet, so pray for this re vival.

Anybody wishing our help in re vivals can reach us thru Headquarters or Ft. Myers, Fla., Gen. Del.—I. G. Roberts and wife in charge.

TO PASTORS OR CLERKS OF LOCAL CHURCHES

The General Secretary is receiving church notes all along and a great many of them fail to have the name of the church on said notes. In order to give proper credit here at headquarers, we shall appreciate it very much if you will not overlook this .- S. W

Thru a mistake the church at Mon gomery, Ala. has been left out of the ast minute. This was a mistake on the part of the General Secretary, and we wish to say that this church is active and reporting regularly to headquarters .- General Secretary.

CORRECTION

To the Churches of God in W. Va.: On page two and in column two in notice to the Churches of God in W. Va. in the last week's Evangel, the following mistake was made by me, reading. Send all mission money to O. W. Thomas, Lester, W. Va. It should have read, "Send 50% of all mission money collected in local treasures to Boehmer, General Secretary, Cleveland, Tenn, and the remaining A successful revival is now in full 50% to O. W. Thomas, Lester, W. Va. blast at the big Church of God Taber- State Treasurer of mission fund.-

# REQUESTS

God will make a way for me to attend church and learn the things I want to in the church, W. S. Ross, Monclo, W. know. I live almost in sight of the church but my nusband does not allow me to go. Please pray earnestly for me to be delivered .- A sister in

I ask the saints to pray for sister, Maggie Hickerson, Newell, Ala.

Pray for my unsaved daughter and three sons to be swept to the foot of the cross.-Elizabeth Proter, Chester,

Pray for my husband and children to be saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, also for a friend who has the Holy Ghost to be healed of a broken limb. His name is Robert Homonds .--Yours for lost souls, Callie Frye,

Dear saints of God, I ask everyone of God's people to earnestly pray for God to take away the pains and swelling of rheumatism in my hands and limbs. It is almost all over my body I have been trusting the dear Lord but I need help to defeat the devil.— A true sister in Jesus, Sallie Dempsey Navarro, Texas.

I ask the saints to pray for Sister Mamie Walker of Augusta, Ga. to be healed so that she can get out on the field .- A sister in Christ, Mrs Tom Pritchard, Rt. 2, Box 15, Union

I have been suffering with my heart. I have not been able to lie down; I can hardly stand for anyone

sanctification does not make men im- liever. No man can retain his justifipeccable as theologians would say that it is rendering them incapable of sinning. They are still exposed to all the dangers of the human proba-tion, free to stand, but at the same time liable to fall. To be saved from all sin will surely make it more certain that we shall not fall. To have all our faults on the outside is safer than to have them both within and without. Salvation is by faith from first to last and he who stands all

must stand by faith. Having considered briefly this as pect of the subject, let us examine the other extreme in which it is placed too low. We are about as liable to fall in error in one direction as the other. We place the mark too low when we make it to consist simply in freedom from committed sin. It is thought that we can never be saved from committed sins, meaning voluntary sins, sins known to be sins at the time they are committed. Surely this can never be for "he that committeth sin is of the devil" and "he that is born of God sinneth not." "In this," viz, that one sins and the other does not, the children of God are manifest," says St. John, "and the children of the devil." This means habitual sinning, says one. No it does not say habitual sinning, but simply "Comand fell. These are the facts that mitteth sin." Freedom from commitoverturn all opposing theories. Entire ting sin belongs to the justified be-

ask everyone to please pray that to touch me. I can hardly get a good in the church, W. S. Ross, Monclo, W.

All who read this please pray a special pray for the healing of my body. I haven't been well for sometime. I believe in trusting the Lord for my healing of my five children. They all healing. I haven't the privilege of behave kidney trouble.—Your unworthy ing in services now and I need your prayers. Pray for my son and his wife. want to see them serving the Lord.

Pray that the Lord will get hold of my husband in some way. He won't let me trust the Lord and have prayer if he knows about it. Please pray for -A sister in Christ, Katie Petty, 604 Cleveland Pike, East Dale, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Please pray earnestly for the healing of my body. I've been sick ever since Christmas. Sometimes I am up and sometimes down. Pray that God will save, sanctify, and fill me with the Holy Ghost. Shelby Larison, Waltersville, Kv.

Please pray for me to get back to the Lord. I was saved about thirteen years ago but backslid. I want to be reclaimed. Pray for my unsaved hushand I feel that the Lord is calling me back. I mean to serve Him. I want my home to be one of prayer.—Mrs. Arnold Gross, Ravenna, Kv.

A dear friend requests that a spe cial prayer of faith be offered up for her precious daughter. Mrs. Annie Ruth Luperello, who is to undergo very serious operation in New Orleans, La. Please join us in prayer for her healing.-Lovingly, Inez Fluker

cation and commit sin. Entire sanctification is far in advance of mere freedom from the voluntary commission of sin. This is too low a standard for entire sanctification. It is placed too low again when it is made to consist of simply freedom from condemnation. Freedom from condemnation is regarded by many as equivalent to freedom from depravity, and persons who make such a profession are regarded as holy sanctified. This is a low idea of heart purity. Freedom from condemnation belongs to the justified state. "There is, therefore, no condemnation," says Paul, "to them who are in Christ Jesus." No man is a Christian who is not in Christ Jesus and no man who is in Christ Jesus is condemned. It follows that freedom

from condemnation is a normal state of a child of God. Condemnation comes of actual sin and wilfull neglect of duty Actual sin separates the soul from God so that no man can maintain his justification who is not saved from the commission of sin. Conversion is no inferior work. It is a change so great as to be called a new creature and if it is genuine it will stop men from committing sin.

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#### IMPORTANT NOTICES

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We are printing below an act of the 23rd Assembly. The reason for doing this is that we receive quite a few ministers' examination blanks before the State Board examines them, thereby causing delay. We earnestly request that all State Overseers strickly observe this rule of the Assembly.

That all applicants for the ministry go before the State Board of examination before their questionnaires are sent to Headquarters. Applicants will be furnished with questionnaires at district conventions. In case it is not convenient to hold district conventions the matter should be left to the state overseer.

S. W. Latimer, General Overseer.

I am working on the Sunday School literature and hope to have the work finished for the year pretty soon. I want to spend the most of the Spring and Summer on the field. I want to visit every state this year that I did not visit last year, and also quite a few of the states that I did visit. I am giving below a list of the dates that I have already made with the State Overseers:

First, I am to visit Florida, January 27-30.

Michigan, May 29.

I will go to Montana, arriving there about June 25. North Dakota, July 2.

West Virginia, July 29-Aug. 3.

The State Overseers will do me a great favor if they will arrange their State Assemblies conveniently. To illustrate: All those in the West arrange your Assembly to correspond with the dates of the states in that direction so that I can go from one state to another and not have to return to the office or double back over places. This will save considerably in railroad fare.

I also request that the Bahama Islands will make a date for their Assembly sometime in February or the fivet of Moreh.

for their Assembly sometime in February or the first of March. Please make it when the sea will be calm. With best wishes for all, I remain yours, S. W. Latimer, General Overseer.

### God Favored Us

MORGANTOWN, Miss. - On the night of November 12, 1929 Brother H. M. Taylor of Kennedy, Ala. began series of services for us at the Mt. Sinai church near Morgantown, Miss. There was a small number of things to hinder but in the midst of all these respites our God favored us with His approval and much good was achieved. have known of Brother Taylor for metime and I have had his assistance for a few times in services and am sure I am not saying too much when I speak of him as a man faithfully and enthusiastically devoted to His interest.

From the list of preachers there are only a few who have laid aside every frivolity and are striving daily in the vineyard of our Lord to see brought out of the rubbish of sin and purified in God's pentecostal fire and cleansed in the crystal flowing fountain of His sanctifying power. They seem to be hunting sordid things of this earth and fishing for carnal ob- Ghost. We surely have a happy home. jects of the sea of life that will not profit them a particle in the sweet

after time. Brother Taylor's visit to our community was very appreciative by both saints and sinners. We all wish him it and knit it back. Right then the God speed in His religious professions and on his heavenly journey. If fear and pain away. In four hours it we should meet him no more on time's troubled shore, I trust we will meet again some day where pleasures are forevermore.—Q. C. Dunaway.

# **GREAT INTEREST**

BOONEVILLE, Miss.-We still have victory over sin and the devil at Booneville. The work is going on nice-We have a nice little tabernacle here. Brother and Sister Scruggs are pastoring the church here. We dearly love them. They are so much help to

We have organized a Sunday School here. Everybody seems to take great interest for we believe it will be a great help to the church. We have just closed a revival and much good was done. Sister Elsie Franklin was in charge. Some were saved, some received the Holy Ghost.

I thank God because I am still saved, sanctified, and filled with the heal. All who read this please pray for us that the Lord will have His way with us and that more souls will be saved and come into the Church of God .- A sister in Christ, Miss Bertha Ricketts, clerk.

# **Enjoys The Evangel**

DETROIT, Ala.-I have been silent reader of the Evangel for several years and certainly do enjoy the good letters and sermons. It is all the preacher I have as I seldom ever hear a Church of God sermon. There is only one Church of God person here besides me. My husband once had salvation but has backslidden. Please help me pray for him. He still says the way is right. He tries all kinds of worldly pleasures but says there is more pleasure in serving God.

I praise the Lord for saving, sand tifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost about nine years ago. It still We have a church house here that

is built for any denomination. I would be glad for some Church of God

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# He Can Save And He Can Heal

DAYTON, Tenn.-This afternoon I oraise the Lord thru the Evangel for ever giving me the light on the Word and putting the desire in my heart to learn more about our dear Savior. As I began to pray and cry and pour out my heart to God, He soon heard and answered my prayer. He wants us to rend our hearts and not our garments.

I was saved when a girl nine years of age. I always had a desire to get closer to the Lord. Five years ago in December the Lord sanctified me at home while my husband and I were on our knees praying before we went to bed. I am glad I can say I am saved, sanctified, and have the preclous Holy Ghost. My husband is saved, sanctified, and seeking the Holy

Three months ago I fell and broke my limb. As soon as I saw that it was broken I looked up and began to talk to the Lord. I told Him I was trusting Him and that I believed He would set was knit back until I could raise it up and down. B. V. went after some of the saints. They came and prayed for me. How the Lord did bless us all. How the power did use my broken limb and it was knit back right then! It was awful sore. The third day I sat up in a chair three hours and in two weeks I went to meeting. I can say I am trusting the Lord for both soul and body. He has healed me many times. No matter what comes, I mean to trust the Lord.

We both belong to the Church of God. All who read this pray for me to ever be in the center of the Lord's will. I want to be humble and where the dear Lord can use me .- A sister under the blood, Mrs. B. V. Bryant.

preacher to come and run a meeting next summer. I am sure they would be taken care of. Brother and Sister W. M. Newman have run several revivals here. There are several who be lieve in the way but are not interested in their souls. I pray that some one would come here who would wake them up. Pray for me that I will let my light shine and for me to be a real overcomer and raise my children right.-Mrs. M. N. Chandler,

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### A Nice Sunday School

PALMER, Texas.—Dear Evangel readers, I praise the dear Lord for showing me the dear old Church of God, for saving me and giving me the sweet Holy Ghost. I mean to go on by the help of the Lord. He said He would never leave us nor forsake us.

God surely is blessing us at Palmer. Three have received the Holy Ghost and four have been restored. We have a nice Sunday School. We are planning to build a church. We have our lot and \$95.00 on the building. Don't forget to pray for our church here We need the prayers of all the saints.

—Your sister in Christ, Larillian Springer, Box 103.

#### DOCTRINE VS WIND OF DOCTRINE

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uncertain source. It is only the hypo thetical arguments of men and should not be accepted as Bible doctrine.

The institution known as the Inter national Bible Students is flooding the country with literature that denies the personal second coming of Christ. They claim that His second coming is only in spirit and that He came in that manner in 1914. They are logical in their arguments and claim to go into the depth of prophecy; but their logic is only a fabrication and when it is placed beside the inspired Word of God rightly divided, it cannot stand. It is unscriptural to undertake to measure time and fix dates for Jesus to come or for the "times of the Gentiles" to close because the Word of God does not specify any set time for either event.

One peculiarity of the Bible is that it was written without dates; therefore, the time between scriptural events cannot be correctly measured. The dates found in the margin of the Bible were placed there by the translators and cannot be depended on for reckoning time between the events of prophecy. The Lord could have inspired the writers of the Bible to give correct dates, but as He did not and the original manuscript was without dates, it is evident that it was not His purpose to reveal the exact time for future events. The prophets foretold the birth of Christ and even made known the place where He would be born, but none of them set any date for His birth. The same is true of His second coming. Much is said of what He will do when He comes and even the place where He will descend and the manner in which He will come is revealed, but the exact time of His coming is known only to God. The Holy Ghost has frequently spoken of the second coming of Jesus since the "latter rain" has been falling but it is significant to note that all Spirit says about the time of that event is that He is coming soon. To know that Jesus is coming soon is sufficient knowledge on the subject to keep us watching for Him. To go beyond the work of the Holy Ghost and set dates for that event or to claim that He has already come and that the "times of the Gentiles" have ended is too much for men to under

It is true that Gentile supremacy began when Nebuchadnezzar was made world ruler and carried the Jews into captivity; but as the Bible was written without dates, we do not know the correct date when Gentile supremacy began. This being true, it would be impossible to correctly say would close for there must nite starting point to determine a definite end. One thing we can be sure of is that the Gentile age has not come a close for the Scripture proves that the "times of the Gentiles" continue until the rapture of the

When the Jews rejected Christ, God visited the Gentiles, "to take out of them a people for his name." (See Acts 15:13-16). We notice the Syriac New Testament reads as follows: "God hath begun to elect a people for his name from among the Gentiles." Acts 15:14. The elect of the Old Testament was Israel, but the elect of the new dispensation is the Church of God. Therefore, the people that God visited the Gentiles, "to take out of God. Therefore, the people that God is electing from among the Gentiles is His church. When the church is mplete, it will be presented to Christ at His appearing and the "times of the Gentiles" will end and God will return to the Jews and deal them as a nation. (See Acts 15:16). When the "times of the Gentiles" come to a close God will begin to deal with the Jews thru the person of the Antichrist by whom He will chastise them till they accept Christ. It is true that the Jews are returning to Palestine under a mandate signed by the League of Nations, but that doesn't mean that the "times of the Gentiles" have ended for the Jews are still under Gentile supremacy.

God is still gathering out of the dentiles a people for His name and will continue to do so until the church is presented to Christ at His appearing which will be the beginning of His econd coming of which no man knows neither the day nor hour.

"Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh." Matt. 25:13. The word "cometh" as used in this connection was taken from a Greek word that means to enter or appear. It is a modification of the word come and ncludes both aspects of the second advent of our Lord. It is true that the econd coming of Jesus is divided into the aspects known as His appearing and rapture of the church His final descent to earth to estab-lish His kingdom. When Jesus appears in midair and the church is caught up to meet Him, His second coming then begins but will not be complete until He comes down to earth and all the raptured saints with Him. The exact time of this event is unknown to us in both of its aspects for Jesus said, 'Ye know neither the day nor hour wherein the Son of man cometh." The Holy Ghost testifies that He is coming soon and that should satisfy the mind of everyone as to the time He will come. The Spirit and the Word agree, and in speaking of the sign of His coming, Jesus said, When Ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors." Matt. 24:33. "These things" that Jesus spoke of are obvious in the world today, and by these and the testimony of the Holy Ghost we know that Jesus is coming soon but we know not the day not hour, and I will not attempt to say in what year He will come.

"But of the times (years) and sea ons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know exactly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night."

1 Thess. 5:1-2. In this quotation we find that the time for the "day of the Lord" to begin is a profound secret for it "cometh as a thief in the night." The word "cometh" in this statement comes from the same Greek word that was used in the statement of Jesus in Matt. 25:13 concerning the time of His second coming. It signifies that the time of the entering or beginning of the day of the Lord is unknown, but that it will be a well known even after it begins.

The day of the Lord is shown by the Scripture to be the "hour of temptaor "great tribulation." (See Rev. 3:10, Matt. 24:21.) The Scripture also proves that the church will be kept from this awful time of trouble that is to come upon the world. (See Isa. when the "times of the Gentiles" 26:20-21, Rev. 3:10.) The Bible makes lear that the it verv Lord" will not begin till the church is taken out of the world and as the time for that day to begin is not disclosed it is evident that the time for will the rapture is a profound secret. Paul was so sure that the church of the Thessalonians understood that they

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I thank the Lord for the privilege

of attending this good Bible School

glory for my being here. I know it is

thru Him that I have this wonderful

privilege of being here. He has sup

plied me with a good job and I am

walking, catching rides down the high-

way from West Texas. I was only

six days and a half on the road. My

expenses were only six dollars and

fifty cents. I saved about twenty-five

dollars and by doing that I was able

Dear ones, it pays to have faith in

God. James says, "For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith

without works is dead also." Jas. 2

26. If you have faith, put forth a lit

tle works with it. I thank the good

Lord because He has helped me get

here and is helping me to stay here

My soul is longing for the time to

ome when I can get out in this big

world and preach this good Gospel. I

preach as soon as school is out. I want

Oh, how I thank my good teachers

or the services they have rendered

in trying to teach me about God's good

Word! I shall never regret the good

hours I have spent in this good school,

It makes my heart ache to think this

will be my last term as I will finish.

ask all who read this to pray for me

that God will use me to His glory.—A Bible student, Ross Hill, 2311 Peo

A Work Ordered By

The Lord

— B. T. S. — I am thankful this morning for the

divine presence of our Lord. For over

four years I have served this wonder

ful King and find Him to be a true

friend and a present help in the time

of need. Truly He is greatly to be

We watched the old year out and the New Year in. The Lord surely

blessed. There was good preaching

singing, praying, and shouting. New

resolutions were made that we would

try to do more for the Lord in the

ensuing year than last year. James

4:8 says, Draw nigh to God and he

will draw nigh to you. I feel that a

number got in closer touch with God and took on new courage and zeal to

I do not believe I would be justified

in not saying a few words for the

Bible Training School for this is a

work ordered by the Lord. My heart

is made to rejoice when I look around

and and see so many young men and

women preparing themselves for the

Master's service. I do not believe there

is any better place to get acquainted

with God's Word than B. T. S. where

we read, pray, preach, sing, and shout.
All who read this pray for me and

the success of B. T. S .- Curtis Young

and I thank Him over and over again

many times for letting me know about

Dear Christian young people, if

there is in your heart a sincere long-

ing and hunger to do something for

God, won't you prayerfully consider the Church of God B. T. S.? If you

feel the call of God in your life, won't you spend time to ask the Father His will concerning your life? I am sure

God has precious jewels hidden away among the masses who need to ster

out in His service. Then why hold

Let us step out for God and trust

Him to direct us and undertake that

me in prayer that I may be faithful in

all things and fill my little place for

His will may be done in our lives.

Dear Evangel readers,

Bauxite, Ark.

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fight for God and for right.

ples St., Cleveland, Tenn.

praised.

intend to start out somewhere

to be a soul winner for Jesus.

to pay my tuition in advance.

again this term. I give God all

working my way thru school.

When I left home I started

#### Hasten! Bring Sheaves | Faith Without Works To Him

The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few. These words have always had a deep significance to me. They have caused me hours of thoughts and meditation.

Can it mean that today there are

people in darkness? souls who cry for the healing balm of Gilead? men and women in distress and anguish of soul? souls who need the comfort, courage, protection, and sustenance of the strong arm of Immanuel? Like flashes of lightning and blast of fire in a furnace the thoughts roll in turmoil thru the brain, causing the heart to beat with rapidity and the blood to heat and advance its tracing course thru the veins, when we remember that China has about four million in darkness of Confucianism, Taoism, Buddhism; India has three hundred and twenty million out of which there are only five million Christians; Japan has her sixty million who need to hear the story of Jesus; and that other countries of Europe and Asia, most of Africa and parts of Latin America have never heard of the words of the loving Savior who can cothe their suffering, heal their diseases, weld the broken heart and, in fact, turn the dark, loathsome night of heathenism into a new life of hope, joy, light, and love of Christianity.

Nearer home we find that in our own beautiful America there are those who have not learned the meaning of these words of our Savior, 'Come unto me, I will give you rest." And too there are those who have been deceived and contaminated with the beliefs that the Bible is not infallible, man not made in God's image, no miracles, no virgin birth, no duty, no atonement, and no resurrection, which lead to atheism, thus damning their souls for eternal torture and punishment.

Oh, reapers of the harvest! There is opportunity on every hand. Go! bring sheaves to Him!

When we listen we hear the regretful reply of the reapers, "Between us and opportunity is the treacherous river of discouragement and beyond that is the huge ironclad door of opposition."

Again we hear a voice like that of the Almighty, "Go, reapers, go. You can span the river of discouragement by faith for without faith it is impossible to please God. And as for the door of opposition, the Word of God is a battering-ram that has broken down, can break down, and will break down every opposotion if properly

used. Go, reapers go!" words of encouragement These would almost cause the dead to rally to the call, but it is not their call to reap so we who have heard the call

must go. One noticeable feature is that the Word must be properly used for the Word of God is quick and powerful but it must be rightly divided. For this cause Jesus taught His disciples three years before He sent them to harvest. And for this cause the command is in the Bible, "Study to shew thyself approved." So with the Word of God as our battering-ram, we can esition and knock down every fight our way on to success and victory in the name of our coming King.

remain yours for the upbuilding of the Kingdom, wishing a ful and prosperous future for Church of God Young People's Endeavor.-David L. Lemons.

#### WHY HOLD BACK?

- B. T. S. I am glad I can send my testimony once again from the B. T. S., a place dear to my heart. We were not able to be here last term, but during that time I was often lonesome to be back again. I can truly say I have spent some of the happiest days of my life

here and my great regret is, this is my last term here and it is almost half gone. I give God all the praise God.—Pearl Anderson, Plaza, N. Dak.

#### My Grace Is Sufficient For Thee

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in the nour of trial, comes His sweet voice, saying "Fear not, my grace is sufficient for thee." It behooves us to keep our ears unstopped, ever listening for His still small voice which is unceasingly speaking words of love and cheer to our weary hearts. He

should not argue about the time that Jesus would appear that he did not deem it necessary to warn them against it. Therefore, it is essential that people spend their time in making preparation for the coming of our Lord without arguing about the time He will come. "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to before the Son of man." Luke 21:36. Amen.

says "Lo, I am with thee alway even unto the end of the world." We hear David say, "Yea, though I walk thru the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me."

Temptation is not sin; it is only when we have yielded to it that it is sin. We are yet mortal and subject to temptation but God's grace is always sufficient to carry us through. It, if we have faith in God, will clear the skies and move mountains of doubt from our pathway. "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempte above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. 1 Cor. 10:13. For our burdens too He has made provision when He said, "Cast your burdens upon the Lord and He will sustain thee; He will never suffer the righteous to be moved.'

Not one thing has our wonderful Creator overlooked, but all is included in

the great plan of redemption.

It is the devil's business to hinder and God suffers it to be so, for each victory won is a step in the growth in grace. "Tribulation worketh patience, experience hope, and hope maketh not ashamed." It takes all these trials to bring us to perfection.

Behold, Job was a perfect man, yet e was of all men most sorely afflicted yet in all these things he sinned not, but maintained his integrity, saying, Though he slay me yet will I trust him. The latter end of this man was more blessed than the beginning. Surely God's grace was sufficient for

Paul said when he was weak then e was strong. Why? He then realized the greatness of God and the sufficiency of his grace. The Lord says his strength is made perfect in weakness. As long as we have any resources of our own to bank on we do not realize our strength is gone then we can rely upon the everlasting grace of God. Let us realize now that we are utterly dependent upon God for all. Paul gloried in his infirmities, re-

roaches, etc., for Christ's sake because they kept him humble and ever contending for the grace of God. David said his infirmities were good for him because they taught him the statutes of the Lord. God uses this method of eaching His power.

If we always had sunshine would not appreciate it and should we be carried on beds of ease we yould lose sight of the need of continually seeking God's favor. He wants us to realize our helplessness that we may the better know His grace is sufficient for every need.
"Seeing then that we have a great

high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace in time need." Heb. 4:14-16.

Remembering His promises, let us press our way into the kingdom, holding fast our profession through all the tests and ever hear Him say, "My grace is sufficient for thee."

#### Contending For The Faith Of The Saints

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and he will laugh at you and say, No, no. That is not for us today. Then he will try to explain it all away. Then, for Heaven's sake why did the fellow ask the Lord to send a Pentecostal shower? This is no doubt what he really meant when he prayed: LORD, SEND US A PENTECOSTAL SHOWER WITH THE POWER AND TONGUES LEFT OFF. Really it would not be a Pentecostal shower unless He sent what they had at Pentecost. Then the man prayed for something which he did not want, neither did he believe in it. Such foolish praying!

CONTEND WITH THEM. Sure will contend with them, whether I ever convince them or not. Yet, there are some honest people among them who will be convinced if we will let them know we are not afraid and are willing to meet them any place even at their own church and contend with them concerning this faith.

Sometimes I feel like giving my time to that cause, and go to the different places over the country where so-called ministers will fight against God and His Bible and the blessed this good place and then letting me come. Holy Ghost, and, like little David, tell the world that I am ready to go in the name of the Lord God of Israel and fight the giant, cut his head off. put it on a pole, lifting it high so all can see and return to the camp shout ing the victory. IF YOU NEED ME CALL. I feel

like saying to my Brother Preacher on the field that if any of those giants arise against this faith which you are preaching, and you do not have time to debate with them or don't want too, send for me for I went too. I feel that some of the Church of God preachers are compromising more or less with the world and with some of those preachers who will not stand for all the Bible. They want to appear nice and not be on the extremes, as they call it, but, brother hear me, if we will stand flat-footed for this faith, and preach it with the power of the Holy Ghost sent down from Heaven, we will raise the devil among those cold, dead preachers, and they will fight while souls will come flocking home to God. This kind of preachers never have believed in the power of the Holy Ghost and they never will, makes no difference how much we pet them, and if we as the Church of God are not careful, while we are easing down, thinking to capture such fellows, we will lose our power with God and be in the same box with them. Christ did not hesitate to say, Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites; for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in yourselves, nei ther suffer ye them that are entering

Also Stephen looked those fellows in the eyes, and said, Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did so do ye.

# THEY NEEDED THE WORD

MONROE, Va.-Dear Evangel readers, I want to sound a note of praise to God this Sabbath day. The good Word of God reads, Perfect love casteth out fear. I know this by experi-

I was contemplating on a meeting in a district where lots of moonshining was going on. Our friends pleaded with my wife to persuade me not to go to that place. I said that I was not afraid for I love my Jesus. I secured a small room which would seat about one hundred. The Lord began to bless and the devil howl. The tennant of the house told me one Saturday night that I must get out. My wife and I prayed for the Lord to lay it on some one's heart to give us a place to tell the good news that Jesus still saves. so keenly our need of God, but when On Sunday morning a worldly man came to me and asked me if I did not have orders to get out. He then told me that he had a place for us to use as long as we wanted it. Thank God, He answered our prayer.

The Word was preached in meekness and instead of being carried out dead, I drove out with a host of good sinner friends, awaiting my return to continue the revival as soon as the weather permits. I thank God for the many good people we found there. All

they needed was the Word of God. Evangelists, won't you come and help tell this place of salvation while it is yet day?

On December 23 we came to Deerfield, Va. We had services on Monday and Tuesday nights. Wednesday night we enjoyed a good Christmas entertainment. It filled my eyes with tears of joy to see the dear little children being reared to serve Jesus beauty of Holiness. How nicely they were trained!

From there we came to Thornwood, Va. and had services in Methodist church. We enjoyed being with the good people. Our next stop was Norton, W. Va. We enjoyed ourselves with brothers and sisters we used to know. We are going to the Church of God in South Elkins, where we will again enjoy being with friends we used to know. God bless you all .-R. L. Rexrode Happy Band.

# Church Organized

CLAYTON, N. C .- I thank the Lord for the good meeting we had while Brother and Sister Stocks were in charge. The Lord surely did bless. A church was organized with eight members and on the last day of the meeting two more were added to church.

Brother Deans from Middlesex, N. C. is our pastor and we love him. The power fell so in the last service that Brother Stocks handled fire. He went to the fire and came out with real live coals. Surely God will bless His people if they will only be humble and obey His Word. Pray much for us .- Your brother in Christ, Willis

If we will preach it in this way and cry out against sin, and declare to all men that God is the same yesterday and today and forever and that the blood has never lost its power, but will cleanse from all sin, preparing us for the coming-in of the blessed, wonderful Holy Ghost, and that when He comes we will speak in other tongues as the Spirit gives the utterance and contend for this faith, we will not have the fellowship of those cold, will want to come over and preach with us, but only those who love the Word of God will hang around us, and they come that they might be fed, so let us feed such and stand bravely and CONTEND FOR THE FAITH WHICH WAS ONCE DELIVERED TO THE

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# **CROSSING THE GREAT GULF**

E. E. Malone

Dear friends and readers, we are crossing the great gulf, and many seem to be sailing along who do not know their destiny, yet they are sailing along. In living near the coast we naturally see and hear more about the gulf life. Now today, brother and sister, if you were sailing along the big bay leading to the rough, raging waters of the great deep, old gulf, and you did not know whether or not the vessel you were aboard would take you across, and someone would come to you in a vessel that was large and strong and well constructed so that it was sure to ride great, rough, bois trous waters thru storm and fair sailing, and offer to you an oppor tunity to board her and go across would you say, Well, I'm not sure whether or not I'm saved in this way, but I'll risk it a while longer? or would you board the big ship and be sure you were saved and going thru? Now, dear reader, in St. Luke 16:26 we find "a great gulf fixed." And so we are sailing toward "the great gulf." Some are traveling at a breakneck speed thru life and do not know whether or not they are saved, and whether or not the ship that they are aboard, or the church to which they belong, and their experience with the Lord will take them safely over. They are not sure. Whether they are right or whether they are saved, they de not know.

Hear what father Abraham said to the poor man who sailed his vessel into the deep, deep pit, simply be cause he had a smooth tide and easy riding. You know the good, sweet Word of God says, "Broad is the way and wide is the gate that leads to de struction and many there be which go in thereat." So it seems that this way is so easy to sail upon that many prefer to go this way, and finally they awake to the fact that they have crossed "the great gulf." And while Lazarus may have lain close to them, we are sure he told them that they were on the wrong way and that their vessel would not land them safe, as every witness of God does. Then while in agony they cry for mercy, there is no consolation, and the gulf that they have crossed is now impassable. "And besides all this, there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us that would come from thence." Poor man! Yes, you say, he was rich. Indeed he was, but he left his riches when he went over, and there is no transport for them, "and whose shall these things be?" You will agree with me now that he was poor and, as many others, had used poor judgment.

Oh that we could look thru the dark fog and mist and see the simple way that's so plain, so simple, so straight your vessel and head her ashore, fight for your life for the storm is approaching that may dash your ship in pieces, or angry waves on a mad sea carry you out into the deep sea of sin, and your vessel not being anchored in the harbor of God's love, you too may be carried across that great gulf. Brother Lazarus could not come to your rescue though he once piloted a life boat; he has finished his course fought his fight and anchored at Port Abraham, where he tried to pilot you.

#### THE BEST THING ON EARTH

CLAYSVILLE, Pa.-I wish to an nounce to our many brothers and sis- and message. God richly blessed. This ters in Christ that we are still on victory side. Hallelujah! We have just closed a week's evangelistic service New Year's Eve was the last night. We closed with the Lord's Supper and feet washing. It was surely a week of feasting on the good things from our Lord, such as singing, shouting, dance ing, speaking in tongues, praying, and praising the Lord. Brother Helmick, Evangelist of Buchannon, W. Va., was in charge. I will say to anyone who is in need of an evangelist, Give Brother G. W. Helmick a trial.

Our church is coming along nicely with three more added to it in the month of December and others looking our way. Come on brothers and sisters

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#### Ministers' Meeting Inspiring

S. LEBANON, Ohio.-The Ohio Min isters' meeting opened in Akron, Ohio, Thursday night, Jan. 2, with Brother E. Haynes, State Overseer, in charge After a good song and prayer service Brother Joel Stamper brought forth a message on "The Call of the Ministry," using for a text, Jer. 16:16.

Friday morning Brother W. R. Mes er brought the message on "Fellow ship of the Ministry." Our hearts were made to rejoice as we listened to this. During this sermon two mes ages and their interpretations were given: "My people, my people, I am giving you my Word. Obey me and will lead you unto a perfect day." The second was "I am in the mids of thee." It did us much good to know the Holy Ghost was placing His ap proval on this message.

Friday afternoon we were favored with a special song, "I Am Going Higher Some Day," by Brother Haynes and Sister Marie Hughes, Af ter a short inspiring address on "The Second Coming of Our Lord" by Brother R. E. Hamilton, Brother T. M. McClendon brought the message on "Success and Failure of the Ministry." This was very beneficial and instructive.

Saturday morning Brother J. D. Wilson brought the message on "Loyalty of the Ministry." He said that it takes loyal ministers to make the Church of God rise and shine.

Saturday evening Brother J. A Bixler preached on Church Governnent. This was delivered under the power of the Spirit and enjoyed by the large congregation present. At the close of this service the altar was filled with seekers. One girl received the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues.

The afternoon services were give ever to questions and answers in interest of the church throughout the state. A good spirit prevailed in the discussion of the business matters. It seemed that all the ministers left this meeting with a great determination to push the mission work this year as we see the need of having funds to put workers in new fields.

At the suggestion of the Overseer it was unanimously agreed that all churches in the state should observe Wednesday of each week as special prayer day for the membership and all Christians to spend the entire day in fasting and prayer to God. As we write this we can feel the great power of God on our body. It will surely be wonderful to have all of God's children in the state calling on Him at the same time. I feel sure He will hear them and will pour out His power on us this year in a wonderful way.

It would not do to close without telling of the excellent spirit that prevailed throughout the entire meeting. It was good to see our state Overseer who has fought many battles for God and His church, dance under the power of God with the other good that "a wayfaring man, though a brothers and sisters. We cannot tell fool, need not err therein." Pray, turn all the good things about this meeting but many said it was the best they had ever attended. Many special songs were sung which were greatly enjoy ed. The entire session seemed good to the Holy Ghost and to us.

We left the meet feeling that it had been good for us to be there. May the dear Lord bless you and bring us to gether next year .- C. B. Huff.

# A New Church

COLORADO, Tex.-Just a few lines to let you know Colorado, Tex. has been put on the map for the dear Church of God. Our state overseer, Brother S. J. Wood, and wife gave us twelve nights of their service in song was the first Church of God preaching ever done in this place. We did not but God was in out arga crowds midst. The writer was the only Church

of God member here at the beginning One man in sin was wonderfully healed of a fever then prayed thru We heard him speaking in tongues a the Spirit gave utterance. One little was healed of an abscess in her head. Jesus told us these signs would

follow them that believe. This meeting began December 3 and closed December 15. Brother Wood set church in order with seventeen members. Each member was baptized with the Holy Ghost

We had Brother Campbell of Abilene with us last Sunday night. My hus-band was sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost, and added to the church. We had a wonderful service. The Holy Ghost gave a message and interpreta-tion which meant much to the church and others. It reminds me of Psa.

We have no church to worship in at present. We are having services mostly in our home ten miles south of Colorado on Magill farm. Anyone passing this way will find a hearty welcome in our midst. All please pray for God to have His way in this little band of saints for we are scattered about over the country. The people here have the greatest determination to live the life that I ever knew. My heart is made to rejoice when I real

ize that it pays to let your light shine He has given me a head of hair. I vas bald-headed from a sunstroke for eighteen years and now my hair is growing. Pray for us.—Your sister in the Lord, Mrs. Lina O'Donnell, clerk,

for we are in the best thing on earth. -I. R. Thomas, clerk.

# Deaths

On December 25, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. King and claimed their darling baby boy, age seven months. We surely did hate to give him up but the Lord knew best. He was sick only a few days with pneumonia. He leaves to mourn a father, mother, two grandfathers, two grandmothers, six uncles, eight aunts, and a host of rela-

tives and friends. Sleep on, dear Flavius, And take your rest; We loved you, But Jesus loved you best.

Mother and father, we know you are lonely

Since dear Flavius went away; But if you live true to Jesus. day.

One who loved him dearly, his uncle, Ersie A. Huffstutler, Cleveland, Ala.

STAPLES

Our beloved Brother Walter Staples was called from our ranks Sept. 10, 1929. He was sixty-eight years of age. He was faithful to his family to the last. He is sadly missed by his wife, family, and members of the Church of God.-H. Hanley.

#### KNIGHT

On December 25, 1929 the death an gel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Knight and claimed for its victim their darling baby, William Knight, age one month, two weeks, and one day. He was just a bud on earth to bloom in Heaven. We are lonely without him but we weep not as those who have no hope.

How slowly glide the moments by How long appears the day, How sad the time is Since dear William went away

His brother and second cousin, Luther Morelock and Katie Jones

#### DAVIS

On Dec. 26, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sis ter E. S. Davis and claimed their dar ling little boy, George, age six years and five days. He was loved by all who knew him. He was a bud on earth to bloom in Heaven. We weep not as those who have no hope for our loss is Heaven's gain. He leaves to mourn a father, mother, three brothers, four sisters, one grandfather, two grandmothers, several aunts and uncles and a host of friends.

Sleep on, little George, And take your rest; God called you home, For He thought it best who loved him, Annie Bramlett.

#### THOMAS

On August 16 the death angel claim ed for its victim Sister Mattie M. Thomas of Offerman, Ga. She was a true Christian, saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. She was not a member of any church but it was her request to be buried by the Church of God people. She didn't want anyone to weep over her but wanted her funeral to be as a revival and every saint of God to testify.

She is survived by her husband, one son, three daughters, and other relatives and friends. The funeral was conducted by Brother J. B. Weeks and her body laid to rest in Ben James cemetery in Pierce County to await the coming of Jesus.-Mrs. R. B. Herrin, Prescott St., Waycross, Ga.

#### RIDGEWAY

On December 29, 1929 the death angel visited the home of way and took his dear wife, Mrs. Georgia Ridgeway, home. She was forty-four years and three months of age. She leaves to mourn her death a husband, nine children, step-mother, two brothers, one sister two halfbrothers, one half-sister, four grandchildren, and a host of relatives and friends. It was so hard to give Aunt Georgia up but God knew best. She had been in bad health for sometime It is so sad to go to the home and not see her. She was a member of the Church of God at Mt. Zion. She will be greatly missed at Sunday School. body was laid to rest in the Winville cemetery to await the coming of

Aunt Georgia dear, you've gone and

Oh, we loved thy voice so well; But some sweet day we hope to mee

Where we will never say farewell.-Her niece, Golden Wright.

# Hearts Overflowing

BALTIMORE, Md.-God is still working in Baltimore. On the first meeting. We surely do have some good night of this year God met with us in old shouts. Our pastor, Brother T. C. a new and living way. We were made to wonder if our Brother Chapman was going to be translated sogreat was His power on him. One sister who had been seeking the Holy Ghost received it that night. Our hearts are overfloware longing for the time to come, if Jesus tarries, that we will put up our tent and open fire on the enemy in another part of this old wicked city. We ask an interest in your prayers. I am an evangelist in the Church of

### SIN

YOUNG PEOPLE'S ENDEAVOR Atlanta, Ga.

One meaning of the Greek verl translated to sin is to miss the mark Jesus is our example. If we fail to reach that divine standard, if we "miss the mark," we sin. Sin include transgression, an overstepping of the law, the divine boundary between good and evil; iniquity, an act inher ently wrong, whether expressly for bidden or not; error, a departure from right; tresspass, the intrusion of self will into the sphere of divine author ity; lawlessness, or spiritual anarchy; and unbelief, or an insult to divine veracity. It is "high treason" against the very throne of God and of th moral order of His universe.

Sin originated with Lucifer, the chief musician of heaven, when he was filled with pride, saying, "I will exal my throne above the stars of God: will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, I will be like the mos High," as recorded in Isa. 14: 13-14. His name was then changed to Satan or the devil, he was cast from heaven and at his first chance he caused the first inhabitants of the earth to sin. And how did he approach them? Did he affirm what God had said about their dying if they ate of the forbid den fruit? No. He made them doub the Word of God. Because this plan worked so well in that case, he continued, and still continues to use it. He, through his workers, pares and trims and makes exceptions and allowances with the Bible, causing some to consider it only a book of myths and exaggerations. And since it is impossible to escape the arguments of the devil let us learn to weild the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, that we can cut him off with "Thus saith the Lord."

Sins were, and are, universal, Christ alone excepted. It has no remedy but in the substitutionary death of Christ. And what return does our Savior ask for redemption accomplished at such an infinite cost? That we should come to the mercy-seat with broken hearts, confessing sin, weakness, and need, and with faith in His power to hear us; that we become His obedient servants, rather than Satan's, loving one another and bringing forth the fruits of the Spirit. Thanks be unto God for His great mercy!

Sin is in a progressive stage. That crime increases from year to year is plain; and not only crime but sins that so-called (and I repeat very emphatically so-called) moral persons commit become more numerous, and reach further extremes every day. A few years ago we thought of jazz only in connection with music. Today we have jazz in dress, jazz in religion, jazz in everything. In fact, sin is pro gressing at such a rapid rate that it will soon reach its destiny "where the beast and the false prophets are."

There are various disastrous results of sin. One of them is death, for "the soul that sinneth, it shall die." Another is absence from God. Just as literally as Adam and Eve were expelled from the presence of God when they sinned, so are we today. Sin also causes the loss of the image of God. Adam and Eve were made in His image; but every day we see their descendents whose countenances are so marred by the effects of sin that no resemblance of their Creator is left. We see others whose expressions shine with the very glory of God. And these are the ones whose sins are under the

And one other result of sin: It is the dread for the presence of God. Before Adam and Eve sinned, how they longed for the hour that brought, not merely their Creator, but even their Father. But after they disobeyed Him, what a change! The desire of their hearts was that God would never return. Thus it is with the people of the modern world. Sinners ask, "Where is the promise of His coming?" and, like Adam and Eve, wish that Christ would never come. But true Chris tians are saving from the depths of their hearts, "O Lord, how long must we wait? We pray thee, hasten the time of thy return.

Sin is an act, the violating of, or failing to obey the revealed will of God; a state, absence from righteousness; and a nature, enmity toward

If we will keep ourselves from sin just a little while longer, I am sure we will be richly rewarded, for our re demption draweth nigh. - Emerson Purcell.

#### **Good Times With The** Lord

PLEASANT GROVE, N. C .- I thank God tonight for the little band of saints He has given us at this place The Church of God was set in order here in August with twelve members McCall, is with us two and three times a month. We surely are glad to see him and his wife coming. We have seekers at the altar every time an altar call is given.

We would like to have everyone who can to visit the church on the second and fourth Sundays. Thank the Lord tonight for the dear saint

God and would be glad to hear from any of the Evangel family.-Mrs Sarah Anderson, 1246 James St.

#### THE MEETING IN THE AIR

Pauline Jackson

Have you heard about the meeting That will be up in the air? No one knows what time Jesus's coming,

So get ready, be prepared.

In my hand I hold a message asking

Will you be there? And I answer, I'm coming, watch for For I'll be there

There will be a great convention, Some from every land and clime; If you do not want to miss it Then get ready, be on time

Jesus is the great attraction, He is coming for His own; We are going up to meet Him And sing glory round His throne

There'll be singing, there'll be shown

Such as ne'er was before; When we saints shall all be gathered Clothed in white around the throne

There will be a great reunion With all those gone on before, Where all sin and sorrows ended Parting days' will come no more.

Oh get ready for the summons, It may come at any time; There'll be no time then to get ready, You may then be left behind,

Every one that meets conditions, As God gives in His Word, Will be ready for the meeting, In accordance with His Word.

# Only Trust In Him

BAINBRIDGE, Ga.—Dear Evange eaders, I want to write just a few lines of praise to the dear Lord thru the Evangel for what He has been to me. He has wonderfully blessed my soul and my little weak efforts I have put forth for Him. Bless His dear Last Spring I felt the call from the

dear Lord to come to Bainbridge, Ga. It was about two hundred miles from where I was living. I did not know what to do. I did not have the mone to pay my way but I could still hear a small voice saying, Go. At last I told the dear Lord if He would give my body ease and make the way and supply my needs I would go and do my best. Altho' I knew I was weak and unlearned but I would go. He moved every pain at once and gave me the victory. He also gave me witness as to where He wanted me to go and what to do. I was just as content and satisfied that I would go as if I were already on my way. People asked me where I was going and I told them to Bainbridge, Ga. They did not be lieve it because they knew I did not have the money for the trip. I did not know where or how I would get it but God had promised it in answer my prayer. I knew it would come in way at the right time.

On July 5th I received a letter containing my fare to Bainbridge, Ga. I did not know anyone at the place but in obedience to the dear Lord I landed in this town on July 6. On July 8 w pegan service at a schoolhouse. A few days later a sister came to help fight the battle. We were there three weeks The Lord surely did bless. Some were saved, and some sanctified. Since then

some have received the full blessings We have a little Sunday School here The dear Lord opened up the heart of one man and he is letting us have a house to hold services in free charge. Pray for us that we will do more for the Lord at this place.

Holy Ghost and that we may hold out to the end.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. L. B. Lynn, Rt. 2.

# Several Saved

FARMVILLE, N. C .-- I praise God for the four weeks' meeting which we had at Ormsville schoolhouse. Brother K. H. Turner was in charge, I be lieve Brother Turner is a man of God and out for lost souls. December 23 was his last sermon. It was a sad

and His precious power

I ask an interest in the prayers of all who read this. Please pray for my unsaved father, brothers, and sisters. A sister under the blood, Ursilla Mc-Call. clerk.

# PRAY FOR THE **MEETING**

W. RADFORD, Va .-- I thank the Lord for being saved, sanctified, and for the way He is blessing our meeting. Brother George Douglas is doing the preaching. I want all who read this to pray for the meeting and that my husband will receive the Holy Ghost .- Your sister in Christ, Mrs. S.

# TAKE ON NEW **COURAGE**

COVIN, Ala.—Dear Evangel readers, thank the good Lord for what He is to me. He means regeneration, sanctification, and the Holy Ghost to me. I thank the Lord for His Son Jesus and for victory thru His blood. Bless His dear name!

I am still on the battlefield the most of the time. We had a meting at Fleetwood, Ala. which was held twelve nights in November. The Lord surely did bless. Some were saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Some came into the church. There are some good people at Fleetwood. May the Lord bless them and give them a good pastor this year and keep them with

the victory. We spent about four days at home and then went to Pratt City and preached one time for them. From there we went to Parkwood. We were there about two weeks in a revival. The Lord blessed. Two were saved, three sanctified, and one came into the church. There are only a few saints at this place but they have the victory. Pray for God to bless them.

We went again to Fleetwood where we met the district overseer. While there we had two services. We spent Christmas at home. We had services at the church at Kennedy during Christmas. The Lord surely did bless especially on Sunday night. We had a wonderful time. The writer delivered a short discourse and Brother Taylor, pastor, and Sister Gertrude Newman preached a wonderful sermon. Brother Taylor is a good man can preach well. He is at his best most all the time in service.

Let us take on new courage and try to do more this year than we did last year. Pray for me.-Your unworthy brother in Christ, L. J. Potts.

#### CROWNED OR CRUCIFIED

stood alone at the bar of God In the hush of the twilight dim And faced the question that pierced

my heart-What will you do with Him? Crowned or crucified which shall it

No other choice was offered to me. looked on the face so marred with tears That was shed in His agony;

The look in His kind eyes broke my 'Twas full of love for me

The crown or the cross," it seemed "For or against me-choose thou

He held out His loving hands to me While He pleadingly said, "Obey, Make me thy choice for I love thee

Crowned not crucified thus it must be No other way was open to me.

knelt at the feet of Christ In the hush of the twilight dim, And all that I was or hoped. or sought, I surrendered unto Him. owned not crucified. My heart shall

know

No king but Christ who loved me so A sister in Christ, Leone Huggins,

clerk, Kinston, N. C. meeting to think of him going away

and several with whom he had pleaded were not right with God. There was good done during the

meeting. A number of people was healed of different diseases and several were saved. Pray that I might get just where

the Lord can use me more in the future. I love the Highway of Holiness I am glad I ever heard it preached. I have three girls and two boys. Pray that I might rear them in the way God would have them go.-A sister in Christ, Mrs. C. P. Wainright.

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